(4) Upgradation of Swimming Pool to International standards;

(5) Development and improvement of the other smaller Stadia and playgrounds for various other games;

The total estimated cost of the above sports infrastructure is Rs. 60 Crores; No separate expenditure is being incurred for accommodation purposes. Accommodation being created by Karnataka Housing Board will be utilised for accommodating the sportspersons.

(c) The State Government of Karnataka has informed that they have provided for a contribution of Rupees 10 Crores for the National Games. The State Government proposes to meet the balance of the requirement by obtaining grants from Central Government, sponsorships, contributions and donations by availing of the 100% tax exemption under Section 35-AC of the Income-tax Act. However, the Central Government have not as yet received any proposal from the State Government or any other organisation seeking financial assistance for holding these games.

Mahila Samridhi Yojana

7491. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received reports that there have been instances of misuse of funds under Mahila Samridhi Yojana by postal employees responsible for running it; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SMT. BASAVARAJESWARI): (a) No, Madam.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Amount spent on modernisation of Madarsas

7492. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount earmarked for modernisation of Madarsas in the year 1994-95;

(b) the amount spent during the current financial year upto date;

(c) the number of beneficiaries and the maximum amount given to a single Madarsa; and

(d) the reasons for non-utilisation of the entire amount by the Madarsa?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) The Final Grant for modernisation of Madarsas during 1994-95 was fixed at Rs. 20 lakhs. The original Budget Estimates for 1994-95 had been kept at Rs. 33 lakhs.

(b) No amount has been spent during the current year i.e. 1995-96 so far, as proposals from the State Govts. are awaited.

(c) 64 Madarasas have been beneficiaries. The maximum amount of Rs. 26,400/- per annum for salary of one teacher and Rs. 4,000/- only as a one time grant for purchase of Science, Maths kits for each Madarsa is given.

(d) The scheme provides that only those Madarsas can be assisted who voluntarily opt for the scheme and whose names are recommended by the Grants-in-Aid Committee at the level of the State Govt.

In 1994-95 the applications received till the third week of March 1995 were considered and an assistance amounting to a total of Rs. 18.99 lakhs for 64 Madarsas out of the total final grant of Rs. 20 lakhs was given.